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SUBJ: OKINAWAN REACTION TO PRESIDENT'S VISIT: NOV 20.

1. OKINAWAN PRESS CONTINUES TO GIVE FULL AND RELATIVELY FAVORABLE
COVERAGE TO PRESIDENT FORD'S VISIT, CONSIDERING THE LEFTIST
ORIENTATION OF BOTH OKINAWAN PAPERS. THE PRESS CARRIED A FULL

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DESCRIPTION OF THE PRESIDENT'S ITENERARY AND GAVE PROMINENT
MENTION TO THE EMPERORS PROJECTEDVISIT TO THE UNITED STATES.

2. THE OKINAWA TIMES HEADLINED THAT US-JAPAN FRIENDSHIP HAD
BEEN STRENGTHENED,ON THEBASIS OF THE SECURITY TREATY, WITH
GREATER UNDERSTANDING OF JAPAN'S SPECIAL FEELING REGARDING NUCLEAR
ARMS ALTHOUGH THE PRESIDENT HAD AVOIDED A SPECIFIC STATEMENT ON
NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

3. PRESS STORIES NOTED THAT THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT INTEND
TO FORCE EVERY COUNTRY INTO OUR PATTERN ON THE OIL QUESTION, BUT
IMPLY THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER'S PRESSING JAPAN HARD TO LIVE UP
WITH US ON THE CONSUMER OIL GROUPING.

4. FORMER CONSERVATIVE CHIEF EXECTIVEMATSUOKA SEIHO EXPRESSED
HIS PERSONAL PLEASURE TO US THAT THE VISIT WAS GOING SO WELL AND

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WAS HIGHLY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT NHK COVERAGE OF THE TRIP.

5. THE OKINAWA TIMES REPORTED THAT ONLY 200 MEMBERS OF COMMUNIST
ALIGNED ORGANIZATIONS TURNED OUT FOR AN ANTI-FORD RALLY AT
PREFECTURAL HEADQUARTERS, NOV 19. THE CHAIRMAN PUBLICLY DE-
NOUNCED THE WEAK POSTURE OF THE OTHER LEFTIST FORCES IN FAILING TO
TAKE UNIFIED ACTION AGAINST THE VISIT, SINGLING OUT FUKKIKYB (THE
REVERSION COUNCIL WHICH GAVE US A HARD TIME YESTERDAY) FOR LACK OF
LEADERSHIP.

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